

1646

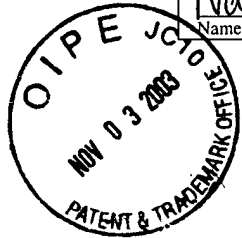
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the: Commissioner For Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Nancy E. Yorke  
Name

Nancy E. Yorke  
Signature

October 31, 2003  
Date



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Gillespie, et al.

Serial No.: 09/703,951 - Case No.: SD9951IA

Filed: November 1, 2000

For: DNA ENCODING HUMAN  $\alpha$  AND  $\beta$  SUBUNITS  
OF NEURONAL NICOTINIC ACETYLCHOLINE  
RECEPTOR, CELLS TRANSFORMED  
THEREWITH, AND RECOMBINANT CELL LINE  
EXPRESSING A HUMAN  $\alpha$  AND  $\beta$  SUBUNITS OF  
NEURONAL NICOTINIC ACETYLCHOLINE  
RECEPTOR

Art Unit:

1646

Examiner:

Brannock

**RECEIVED**

NOV 05 2003

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.143

Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action dated October 1, 2003, in the above-identified application, having a ONE (1) month period for response which expires November 1, 2003. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the following provisional election.